THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMED KHAN) : (a) and (b). The by-products produced by Neyveli Lignite Corporation include phenol, ortho cresol, multivalent phenol, meta para cresol and xylenol. NLC, at present, does not have any plan to start industries using these by-products since NLC is concentrating on higher level of production in mining and linked power generation.

However, the Industrial and Technical Consultancy Corporation of Tamil Nadu (ITCOT) have conducted a study and expressed the view that there is scope for setting up an exclusive industrial estate near Neyveli based on NLC's by-products and intermediates.

Payments to Contract Sweepers in Air India

2803. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total payment being made by Air India to the contract sweepers employed in its establishment ;

(b) whether any hike in their pay is being made as a result of any court case ;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(d) whether the casual labourers will also be paid the same amount that is being paid to the sweepers or its equivalent ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) The total amount paid by the Air India to the contractors works out to Rs. 9,78,651/- per month.

(b) and (c). The United Labour Union representing the employees of the contractors engaged in sweeping/cleaning of Air India premises filed 3 writ petitions. in the Bombay High Court on which orders were passed in December, 1989. The Management preferred appeals against the judgement of the Bombay High Court which passed an *ad-interim* order directing the Corporation to deposit a sum of Rs. 1,000/- per month per worker from December, 1989. This amount can be withdrawn by the union subject to certain conditions, for distribution among the affected workers, covered by the writ petitions.

(d) No, Sir.

Casual Laboureres Employed Against Regular Vacancies in Air India

2804. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of casual labourers employed by Air India against regular vacancies in various airports in India ;

(b) whether these casual labourers are recruited through notification or on the basis of recommendations of Individuals/ Organisations ;

(c) whether Government propose to abolish the appointment of casual labourers against regular vacancies ; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) The number of casual labourers employed by

Air India against regular vacancies in various airports is as under : —

Bombay . . .	134
Madras . . .	16
Calcutta . . .	Nil
Trivandrum . .	4
Delhi . . .	94

(b) Casual labourers are engaged on day-to-day basis. Requirements of casual labourers are informed to the Employment Exchange also.

(c) and (d) While Air India is making all efforts to avoid employment of casual labourers it will not be possible altogether to stop this. However, Air India has absorbed 111 casual labourers on permanent basis in unskilled categories in Bombay and Calcutta against regular vacancies so far.

Employment of Dependents of Deceased Employees in Air India

2805. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of dependents of deceased employees who have been given permanent employment on compassionate grounds by Air India during the years 1988, 1989 and 1990 ;

(b) how many of them have been employed after creating additional posts and how many are employed against regular vacancies in the normal course; and

(c) what are the details in this regard, post-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) Details of dependents of deceased employees who have been given permanent employment are given below :—

1988 . . .	9
1989 . . .	12
1990 (up till now) . . .	3

(b) All of them have been employed against regular vacancy in the normal course.

(c) Post-wise details are given below :—

Year	Total Employed	Category
1988	9	Two General Clerks One Asstt. Stn. Suptd. Six loaders
1989	12	Two General Clerks Three Cleaners Six traffic asstts. One handyman
1990	3	One cleaner One loader One handyman

Co-operative Society for Employment of widows in Air India

2806. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Air India has formed a Co-operattve Society for employment of widows of deceased employees ;

(b) if so, whether the management of the Society is given on contract basis ;

(c) what are the details of the system of payment to the members of the Society ; and